



Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Public Works

Date: June 19, 2012

To: Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee

Referral: Honorable Betsy Hodges, Chair Ways & Means Committee

Subject: **Authorize Cab and Chassis Purchase for Single Sort Recycling Program**

Recommendation:

Authorize proper City officers to exercise the option offered by Midwest Diesel & ABM Equipment & Supply to order four Cab & Chassis and seven packer bodies & seven sets of cart tippers at the 2011 prices for a total of \$1,287,424. Bid pricing and price extension commitments from the vendors are attached. Funds are available in the current budget and no additional appropriation is needed.

Previous Directives:

- 2011: Approved by Staff Purchasing Committee accepting low bid; (OP # 7430) Cab & Chassis
- 2011: Approved by Staff Purchasing Committee accepting low bid; (OP # 7539) Cart Tippers
- August 8, 2011, Passage of a Resolution accepting bid: (OP #7465) low bid of Refuse Packer Bodies

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Reviews: This recommendation has been reviewed by the Purchasing Department.

Financial Impact:

Within Current Budget

Community Impact:

City Goals: Eco Focused – Expedite the implementation of the Single Sort Recycling for the City of Minneapolis.

Background/Supporting Information:

The City of Minneapolis has elected to change curb side recycling collection to a single sort process which will require a different type of collection vehicle. The most cost effective vehicle

that can be utilized for the single sort process in the Minneapolis area is the same type of collection vehicle currently used for the Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) routes.

These vehicles consist of a low entry cab & chassis, a chassis-mounted MSW rear load packer and a set of two rear-mounted cart tippers. Current research, recommendations from an outside consulting firm and the thirty plus years of experience with this type of vehicle has confirmed using this type of equipment is the best fit for the single sort recycling program.

In the year 2011 the Solid Waste & Recycling Division accepted the bids for the chassis, packer and tippers, and currently has the option to purchase up to seven additional chassis and eight additional bodies and tippers, per the bid prices listed in 2011.

The City of Minneapolis Solid Waste & Recycling Division would like to exercise this option to purchase the equipment needed for the new single sort recycling program. This will save the City the 7- to 10-percent per year price increase typically seen for this equipment.

Public Works has already purchased the maximum number of Cab & Chassis Units (OP # 7430), Cart Tippers (OP # 7539) and Packer bodies (OP # 7465) authorized under the 2011 bids. Both vendors have agreed to extend the bid pricing for additional units, tippers and bodies.

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